WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Shallow Hand-pumps Installed by the D.D.A.

*321. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact, that the main reason for the spread of gastroenteritis and cholera in Delhi during the months of June-July, 1988 was the drinking water drawn from the shallow (12-15 feet deep) hand-pumps installed by the Slum wing of the Delhi Development Authority;

(b) whether the Committee appointed by the Prime Minister under the Chairmanship of Shri Sukthankar, the then Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development had also confirmed the above;

(c) if so, what are the facts and what are the names of the guilty persons and what action has been taken by Government against such persons in this regrad; and

(d) the number of such shallow pumps installed and the expenditure incurred thereon so far?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a) to (d) The outbreak of gestroenteritis and Cholera which are water borne diseases was attributable to the residents of the affected area consuming contaminated water from hand pumps of relatively shallow depths. Most of these hand pumps estimated to be over 20,000 had been installed by private citizens themselves over the years, particularly during the drought of 1986-87. Shri D.M. Sukthankar the then Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development, who had been asked to make a quick assessment of the situation, broadly confirmed this situatios in his report.

The Slum Wing of the Delhi Development Authority installed only 271 pumps during April-June, 1988 at a cost of Rs. 5.35 lakhs. All these pumps were at a depth of 20 to 40 feet. These pumps had been installed for meeting the requirements of water for purposes other than drinking. The local residents had been duly warned that the water of these hand pumps is not fit for drinking.

The Delhi Administration had separately initiated enquiries for fixing responsibility. The details about the action taken against the officers found responsible are given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

1. *Particulars of Employees against whom action has been taken*

Municipal Corporation of Delhi

(i) Shri S. P. Kepil, Director

(ii) Shri J. C. Narang, Municipal Health Officer Compulsory retired.

2. *Particulars of Employees against whom disciplinary proceedings have been initiated*

Municipal Corporation of Delhi

(i) Shri P. K. Gupta, Junior Engineer.	Since charge-sheeted
(ii) Shri Inder Singh, Asstt. Sanitary Inspector.	
(iii) Shri D. S. Rana, Asstt. Sanitary Inspector.	
(iv) Shri Deepak Khosla, Junior Engineer.	
(v) Shri Nahar Singh, Asstt. Sanitary Inspector.	

3. *Particulars of Employees against whom disciplinary proceedings are contemplated.*

Municipal Corporation of Delhi

(i) Shri G. C. Garg, Joint Director

(ii) Shri R. S. Arora, Executive Engineer

(iii) Shri Zamir-ul-Islam, Executive Engineer

(iv) Shri M. L. Kakra, Sanitation Superintendent

(v) Shri J. P. Nath, Chief Sanitory Inspector

(vi) Shri Rattan Lal, Chief Sanitary inspector

(vii) Shri S. K. Sharma, Sanitory Isspector

(viii) Shri T. P. Gupta, Executive Engineer

4. *Particulars of the Employees of Delhi Development Authority who have been found prima facie responsible and whose cases are under investigation*

(i) Shri R. K. Bhandari, Chief Engineer

(ii) Shri S. K. Kapoor, Executive Engineer

(iii) Shri R. L. Jain, Executive Engineer

(iv) Shri S. K. Khurana, Asstt. Engineer

(v) Shri A. K. Goel, Asstt. Engineer

(vi) Shri Prabhat Chadha, Asstt. Engineer

(vii) Shri V. N. Kalthia, Asstt. Engineer

(viii) Shri S. K. Jain, Asstt. Engineer

(ix) Shri Hahi Om Verma, Junior Engineer

(x) Shri A. C. Jain, Junior Engineer

(xi) Shri V. K. Talwar, Junior Engineer

(xii) Shri S. C. Solanki, Junior Engineer

(xiii) Shri J. S. Jhogat, Junior Engineer

(xiv) Shri J. S. Gupta, Junior Engineer

(xv) Shri Mandir, Junior Engineer

(xvi) Shri S. C. Agarwal, Executive Engineer

(xvii) Shri B. S. Jayant, Asstt. Engineer

(xviii) Shri J. P. Bassal, Asstt. Engineer

(xix) Shri Suresh Mehta, Superintending Engineer

(xx) Shri S. K. Malhotra, Superintending Engiseer.

कृषि आदानों की खरीद के लिये राज्यों को लघु अवधि के ऋण

*322. **श्रीमती रत्न कुमारी** : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या कृषि आदानों की खरीद के लिये केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा विभिन्न राज्यों को लघु अवधि के ऋण दिये जाते हैं ; यदि हां, तो किस आधार पर ;

(ख) यदि उपरोक्त भाग (क) का उत्तर हां" हो, तो गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान विभिन्न राज्यों द्वारा मांगे गये ऋणों का ब्यौरा क्या है और उन राज्यों को प्रतिवर्ष कितनी-कितनी राशि के ऋण उपलब्ध कराये गये ; और

(ग) उन राज्यों के नाम क्या है जिन्हें इस संबंध में उनकी आवश्यकताओं तथा मांगों के अनुसार निधियां उपलब्ध नहीं की गई और इसके क्या कारण है ?

कृषि मंत्री (श्री भजन लाल) : (क) से (ग) जी, हां । राज्य सरकारों को उर्वरकों, बीजों और कीटनाशी दवाइयों जैसे कृषि आदानों की खरीद और वितरण में सहायता देने के लिये उन्हें छोटी अवधि के ऋण मंजूर किए जाते हैं । छोटी अवधि के ऋण मंजूर करते समय उर्वरकों की जरूरत और खपत, सूखे/बाढ़ के प्रभाव, और उर्वरकों का काम सभालने वाली सहकारी समितियों की कम विकसित स्थिति जैसे पहलुओं पर पूरा ध्यान दिया जाता है । वर्ष 1986-87, 1987-88 तथा 1988-89 के दौरान